

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

There is disclosed a copying machine in which, to end a copy job, a reading-operation control process for causing a reading section to generate image data on an original document to be copied and a printing section control process for causing a printing section to print (output the copying result) in accordance with the image data are independently and concurrently carried out (time period t0 to t1, t2 to t4, t5 to t6). When the reading unit is not in reading operation (after time t2, and after time t5), the machine accepts a start command of a copy job.